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IN THE ABSTRACT:

The Abstract as amended below with a replacement Abstract shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~.

A method is ~~provided, for of~~ using a semiconductor device having a plurality of external contact terminals (20) formed of springy wires, ~~which is usable~~ in a stable state free from the variation of contact voltage for a long period even if ~~the a~~ contact terminal ~~repeats repeatedly~~ makes the contact several hundreds or thousands of times. A tip end of the external contact terminal (20) is plated with individually, selectively removable multiple films ~~(23, 24)~~, and the plated films are individually, selectively removed by an etching treatment, in accordance with the degree of contamination of the tip end of the external contact terminal, and then the external contact terminal is rinsed ~~to be and rendered~~ reusable.